PASSPORT ORDINANCE 1920

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GOVERNMENT OF PALESTINE

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PASSPORT REGULATIONS

issued under Article 10 of the Ordinance.

(June 1st, 1924).

1. Any person leaving Palestine must be in possession of a Laissez-Passer or a Passport duly viséd or endorsed to secure his admmission to the country of his destination.

2. British subjects, Ottoman subjects, persons who are unable to obtain national passports and all persons who require visas for any part of the British Empire, countries subject to a British Mandate and Egypt can obtain the required documents and visas from the Permits Section of the Secretariat, Jerusalem. Residents outside of Jerusalem may obtain them through the District Governor at Haifa, the Assistant District Governor at Jaffa, or the nearest District Commandant of Police or Sub-District Governor.

3. The Travel Documents furnished by the Permits Section are as follows:—

A. PALESTINIAN LAISSEZ-PASSERS.

These are of two kinds:

(i) **The Provisional Certificate of Palestinian Nationality**, issued only to a person who intends to opt for Palestinian Nationality and to reside permanently in Palestine and in addition

(a) was born in Palestine, or

(b) is the son of a father born in Palestine, or

(c) is an ex-Russian subject who compulsorily aquired Ottoman nationality in Palestine during the recent war.

(ii) **The Emergency Laissez-Passer**, issued to a person who, not being eligible to receive a Provisional Certificate of Palestinian Nationality, is unable to obtain a passport or laisez-passer in the absence of any Consular officer of his country in Palestine, or owing to his hawing made a declaration opting for Palestinian citizenship.

B. VISAS AND ENDORSEMENTS

Visas are valid for any number of journeys during a period of one year, unless expressly limited to a shorter period. They are of two kinds, Ordinary and Transit.

A Transit Visa is good only for a journey across a country for the purpose of reaching the territory of another state and not for a stay in the first named country.

Endorsements, unless expressly limited are valid for any number of journeys during the period of validity of the passport or Provisional Certificate bearing them.

(i) **A British Visa** is required by every person (except the holder of a British Passport or Provisional Certificate of Palestinian Nationality) who desires to travel to British territory or territory subject to a British Mandate.

(ii) **A British Endorsement** (in lieu of visa) is required by a person holding a British Passport or a Provisional Certificate of Palestinian Nationality.

(iii) **A Visa for Egypt** (or an Endorsement, in the case of a person holding a British Passport or Provisional Certificate of Palestinian Nationality) is required by all persons who desire to travel to Egypt, except only holders of valid Egyptian Passports or foreign passports endorsed by the Egyptian Government with "Permission to return to Egypt". Applicants for visas for Egypt should give the names and full addresses, correctly spelt, of two residents in Egypt who are prepared to give reference on their behalf and to guarantee their maintenance while in Egypt.

(iv) **A Permit to return to Palestine** may be obtained by a **permanent resident** of Palestine holding a foreign passport before he leaves the country.

C. BRITISH PASSPORTS.

(i) British Passports are issued only to persons who produce conclusive evidence of British Nationality. A Birth certificate, or Certificate of Naturalization should accompany every application where an expired Passport is not available.

(ii) British Passports which are endorsed as valid for the British Empire are available also for travelling to territory under British Protection or Mandate, but not for Egypt and Iraq, for which specific endorsements are required,

4. Schedule of Fees.

The following schedule of fees is now in force for passports, laissez-passers and visas issued by the Permits Section. The fees are liable to be changed from time to time by Public Notice.

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(i)	Provisional Certificate of Palestinian Nationality	40
(ii)	Emergency Laissez-Passer	25
(iii)	**British Visas:**	
(a)	For Transit only	5
(b)	Ordinary	45

(e) Nationals of the under-mentioned countries must pay reciprocal fees, as stated below, in lieu of charges (a) and (b):

Brazil, single journey visas, only	50
Bulgaria, all visas	100
Columbia, ordinary visa	45
,, transit ,,	40
Denmark, ordinary visa	45
,, transit ,,	20
Ecuador, ordinary visa	245
,, transit ,,	205
France, all visas	100
Germany, ordinary visa	300
,, single journey visa	75
Guatemala, single journey visas, only	45
Peru, all visas	100
Poland, ordinary visa	200
,, transit visa	10
Roumania, all visas, whether single journey or transit	200
Russia (Soviet Government), single journey visas only	50
Syria, all visas	100
U. S. A., ordinary visa	230
,, transit ,,	25
Yugo-Slavia (Serbs, Croats & Slovenes, Kingdom of), single journey visas, only	50

(iv) **British Endorsements.**

Free on newly issued British Passports and Provisional Certificates of Palestinian Nationality, but if granted subsequently 10

(v) **Visas for Egypt.**

(a) for transit only 5

(b) ordinary 45

(vi) **Permit to return to Palestine** Free

(vii) **British Passports:**

(a) Passport 37

(b) Renewal 10

(c) Endorsement, free on a newly issued passport, but if granted subsequently 10

5. These Regulations are substituted for all previous notices and rules issued under the Palestine Passport Ordinance 1920.

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APPROVED.

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